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For: NETWORK MANAGING METHOD AND SELECTING
METHOD OF NETWORK MANAGER

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-
identified application, Applicant respectfully requests that the
above-identified application be amended as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 6, after "by" insert --a--;

line 19, change "called simply" to --referred--;

Page 2, line 21, change "three" to --two--;

same line, delete "and 153";

line 22, change "three" to --two--;